

UNBURNED CAMEL

Unlearned Alchemist and
Pretenders.

And account of other excellent secrets
of extraordinary virtue for the honour and
benefit of the nation of pyrotechny.

By the late Sir Isaac Newton, was in the
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if he should have given expectation of any variation of the Pill, as need required, he should be compelled to use judgement, in advising when and where, and how to make his alterations, which being a task beyond his abilities, he avoided by commending the Pill beyond its proper limits, a profitable, but disingenuous trick.

He that hath read or shall read my Books sent out, to wit *Natures Explication* and *Helmonts Vindication*, and *Pyrotechny asserted*, shall finde the ground of these and far nobler preparations; and that these Pills, and such other specifick remedies, are onely succedaneous to greater secrets yet sufficient for the full cure of many diseases, which need no other, and where the effect may be attained by an inferiour, what need a more rare and secret remedy be sought? I shall therefore say no more by preamble, but come to the business intended, and shall give the virtues and manner of use of several medicines made, and publickly exposed to sale by me. And first,

My Diaphoretick Diuretick and Anodynous Elixir.

Its operation is by sweat, and urine, asswaging pains or any ordinary violent disturbance in the body, it pacifies the Archeus, and by a resolute faculty opens obstructions very powerfully and pleasantly, it is a medicine deserves great commendation, and hath been (in Mr. *Matthews* his name) very famous all England over, and in neighbouring Countreys.

This of mine exceeds his beyond comparison, as I shall appeal to any mans experience, For his was my way used in my younger years, from 1651 till 1655. when I communicated it to him, since when I have so far exceeded my preparations therein, that it is below me to make them as formerly, and those that deal with me will not buy them, besides he did not come up to the height of that preparation as I taught him, as Mr. *Kendal* and others, whom I taught the same process, know who make that common preparation far better then Mr. *Matthews*, for his Pill wanting the closing part of an Artist, is faine to begiven with Cautions of lying so many hours, to wit fourteen at least; and yet it makes giddy, suspends the urine, and causeth great drought, and burning heats, with costiveness, the symptoms of a defect in the operation, which I would not after teach Master *Matthews* to mend because he had dealt ill by me, but Mr. *Kendal* Mrs. *Marden*, and Mr. *Luddinton*, Mr. *Andrews* and others do mend that fault, and finde the difference beyond credit. But my Pills are far higher graduated then any of theirs, as may be tryed in Autumnal, and winter Agues, old Coughs, old Pains, old Gonorrhoeas

rhets, and old inveterate venereall maladies, old obstinate uterine obstructions, and the like, in which Cases experience will soon discover the excellency of mine beyond any of theirs, so as not to admit a parallel, nor comparison.

The preparations is *opiate*, and he that doubts the safety of that when corrected, let him consider, that there is scarce any Antidote or Theriacle, without it, and the virtues of such *opiate* Compositions, were by the Antients held in great esteem; of which sort of preparations he that pleaseth may read at large in *Scroderus*, and *Muressus* Of *Opium* saith the noble *Helmont*: happy is that sick party, whose Physician knows how to correct the deadly quality of *Opium* &c. and instances in the Cough, how great effects it hath had in one nights time, Yea experience confirms this daily in hundreds of examples, in acute diseases especially, or in acute paroxismes of Chronical distempers, so that where such a cloud of witnesses appear, to deny or doubt a thing, is so to run mad in malice, as to incur the Censure of *Orestes*: In my *Pyrotechny* asserted, as also in natures application, I have demonstrated the safety, and excellency of these preparations so clearly and fully, that I need but send the Reader thither for satisfaction, and shall briefly give directions, when, and how to administer this Pill, and in what cases especially it is most effectually.

In continual Fevers, such as are common upon surrets, or colds, it is a very effectual and speedy remedy, in such cases, give of it an ordinary dose at a time, and let the party be attended so as to sweat soundly, giving him drink in his sweat, if he desires it, but let it be warm, and in each draught of drink he desires, give him five or six drops of true spirit of Salt, (not that rascall phlegme, which is of late cryed up about town) which true spirit is ponderous, tinged, and eminently acid, this spirit helps both to promote sweat, and to take away all the foulness in the tongue, throat, and mouth of the stomach, and so after sweating cools the body and bowels, exceedingly, to the great ease, comfort, and refreshing of the patient.

You may either give the medicine in form of a Pill, and let the party drink a draught of warm Ale or posset drink after it, or dissolve it in warm Ale or burnt wine, and let him drink it, but lye so, as to promote sweat by and by after the taking of it.

But where the weakness of the party is great, or the age very young, let a dose convenient be dissolved in some pleasant liquor, and give it gradually at 4, 5, or 6, times, allowing two hours between each time, and so nature finds help insensibly, and revives oftentimes beyond expectation.

The ordinary dose for a man is 20 or 24 grains, sometimes 30, but in Fevers twenty grains are as large a dose as is needfull, and let it be repeated once in twelve, or sixteen, or 20 hours according as the disease is violent. The same dose and observation in Plurifies, Cautures, Measels, Purples &c. or any acute disease that threatens life most eminently.

Where the party is young or weak, 10 or 8 grains is a dose, to children very young 3 or 4 grains sufficient, and may be repeated as occasion requires, till recovery, which with Gods blessing will be in 3 or 4 days, sometimes in one dose, or two at most, the party so recovers as to need no more.

In Coughs, and Fluxes it is an excellent remedy, taken to bedward either dissolved or in Pill, and drink a good draught of warm wine after it. The dose here is as in Fevers, onely the time to bedwards, but where the disease prevails so as to make the party keep his bed, give the medicine at any time, forbearing to eat an hour or two after it, and repeat it oftener till recovery, but where the party walks abroad, take it last at evening, and lye so as to favour sweat, and repeat it onely every night, for 3 or 4 nights together, then forbear 2 or 3 days, and take of true *Ens veneris* 6 or 8 grains, morning and evening, then take this Pill, again 3 or 4 evenings, then *Ens veneris* for 2 or 3 days, so continue both till recovery of perfect health, which will with Gods blessing be in a short time.

In Agues give this Pill 20, 24, or 30 grains at a dose, about 2 hours before the fit be expected, either dissolved, or in Pill, and drink a good draught of warm Ale, or burnt wine after it, lye down and keep warm, the cold fit will not at all be felt, and the hot fit will be changed into a sweat: The intermittent day or days take *Ens veneris* morning and evening eight or ten grains at a dose.

In acute torturing tormenting pains, this is an admirable remedy, restoring them if not very deeply fixed, or if fixed, easing the horror and rage of the paroxysms wonderfully, there give it every evening to bedward, and *Ens veneris* in the morning, and if the pain cause feverishness, and that drought, give of Spirit of Salt 5 or 6 drops in beer, as oft as thirst calls for it. And it is to be observed, that if in Chronical cases recovery be not in 30 or 40 days, or so notable progress in recovery, as to give the party hopes, and encouragement to expect a final cure by these means, he then seeks out for higher remedies, of which I shall give notice by way of Advertisement at the end of this Schedul of directions for more ordinary, and generally useful specifick preparations.

In hystoricall cases this preparation is effectuell, such to wit as are not graduated, and so in scorbuticall distempers, but where an highly graduated or deeply rooted uterine exorbitancy is, or an inveterate Scorbute, there Salt of Steel truly made, and sweet, or the Salt of Amber, or the volatile tincture of Red Corall equal in such cases, the highest Arcana's, which where need is, I shall furnish the desirous with all, with full directions for their use, time, and dose.

And let the ingenious Reader note, that this Pill is a very general remedy as to ordinary use, and seldome fails in acute cases, the small Pox by this given in time, repeated duly and orderly, and the party kept in a sweating frame, do so waste gradually, as not to fill, yea I have often seen where the feverishness of the sick party, his dry burning, idle talking, and the like symptoms, have threatened very much rigor, and the spots have so fully appeared, that the Flocks have been feared, yet by taking this medicine, and repeating it once in 12 hours, for the first 4 or 5 days, and sweat being promoted, they have so wasted, as that scarce 20 or 30 have come to maturity, all the body over, so low, as onely to let the party know what danger he had escaped and that hath been all.

But observe that when the small Pox have filled, before the Physician is called, there give cooling absterfive remedies, as spirit of salt and *Elix. veneris*, and now and then give of this Pill to send out the malignity, but keep not party in a sweating temper then, being unseasonable.

Now to speak a word or two Concerning the Lues that moderne monster, the soure sawce of bewitching venery, it is a loathsome disease, an opportune punishment for a filthy loathsome sin. The unlearned Alchymist looked on his medicine with an unreasonable multiplying glass, when he would teach the cure of it thereby. It is an obstinate disease, which appears at first either in a sore between the Glandula, and præpuce, or in the running of the reins, the former is the more dangerous, for that soon infects the body with scabs, Buboes, aches, eating ulcers in the nose, and throat, nodes in the shins &c. and those cause horrible nocturnal pains, oftentimes palsies, palpitations, dangerous Coughs &c. the other to wit the Gonorrhæa if old and of long standing, especially if it be the second, third, fourth, or fifth, the party hath had, it becomes each time more and more obstinate, for it seizes the Radical humidity and though cured, yet leaves it odious relics behind, which transplant into posterity, Scrophulus, scirrhus, strumous, Apostematicall, seeds, hence proceed Chronical distempers, which every day grow worse and worse, hence
also

also appear each year new obstinate diseases to the amazing of Physicians.

The milder sort of Gonorrhæa's are cured by this Pill given every night, and *Ens veneris* in the morning for about 10 or 12 ays together, sometimes continued for three weeks, so as every fourth day a Pill of Diacelatesson be given, omitting the other, and then repeat it again. In case of an ulcer, the sweet oyl of Colchotar of vitriol, or the true *Basamus fuligi* of *Helmont* and *Paracelsus* will perform perfectly the external cure, and the Pill with *Ens veneris*, and my Diacelatesson will compleat what is required internally.

But where this disease is come to its height, there my Diacelatesson must be given often, every day at first, for about a week, then every other day as long, then every third day, and so continue till the cure be compleat, and when the Diacelatesson is intermitted, give of this Pill at evening, and *Ens veneris* in the morning, causing the patient to sweat soundly after the Pill.

A brief Index or Catalogue of other remedies admirable in specifick cases, made by George Starkey who is a Philosopher by fire.

Ens veneris
or *Elementum ignis*
Veneris.

I may say confidently that I was the first that made this in England (that is known) in the year 1521 I prepared it, for the Honourable *Robert Boyle Esq;* one of the Royal Society, who hath wrote of its excellency, as his extant Treatise thereof can testifie. Of this *Helmont* truly saith, nothing works more powerfully on the radical humidity then it, it is most excellent in feminine disease, especially menstrual stoppages, rickets of children, lingering fevers, obstructions of the spleen and melaicks, but especially for women after childbed, taking away after pains to admiration, helping their cleansings so kindly, and without violence, as is admirable, and hindring all feverish symptoms to which many women after travel are subject, to the incredible ease and comfort of them, but this I must assure those that are concerned, that what I made in 1641, for the Honorable *Robert Boyle Esq;* and is by him commended, is so inferiour a preparation to that as is made by me now, that the former deserves not the same name with this latter, which is yellow as the purest gold, and in taste rich of the Venus, so that it exceeds the other beyond all comparison, and nearer approaches the Element of fire of Venus. This I add not to discommend the former, but to shew the difference between that and this.

This is a higher gradation of the former preparation by separating the sulphur from the white metal of Copper, which will abide fusion hammer and test, and is white as Luna, though yet differing from it, and

and totally dulcifying the saline nature from the sulfur, by which it was prepared, advanced, and perfected. This is the *Nepenthes verum* of the Philosophers, the true *Ladanium* without *Opium*, lengthening the life by Gods permission, and conquering powerfully monstrous tragical maladies, such as the Epilepsie, Apoplexy, Palsie, Coma, Vertigo, madness Hypochondriack melancholy, and uterine tenses, with several other like diseases to the stupefaction of nature, of this and Mercury, is made the Horizontal Gold that is truly and perfectly universal.

In the Belgick Edition of *Helmonts* works under the title of preparation of medicines, mention is made of a middle Diacretation, which is Antimonial, and purgeth only, this I call my Diacretation Commune, and it is excellent in Chro-nick diseases to give every third day or every other day to the quantity of 30 or 24 grains in two Pills, and my sweating Pill the other day at evening with *Eus veneris* in the morning, the party may go abroad in the afternoon avoiding intemperancy if the day be clear when he takes it.

The other Diacretation is my true Corallatum, curing radically the Gout, Lues, and all ulcers in the throat, lungs, bladder, and kidneys, as also it roots out all Agues; and heftical fevers (though never so inveterate where the Pill and *Eus veneris* fail, this given every day, or other, or third day with an inferior abstensive medicine between, will cure the most deplorable maladies, and is a true *Arcanum*, though not so highly excellent as the Horizontal Gold &c.

There are also volatile Spirits of Alcalays, especially of Tartar, and Tabacco, which as *Helmont* saith truly, do cleanse all obstructions in the veins, and cut off the occasional causes, of most diseases, especially if coagulated upon dissolved Concreta, of these the Elogy of *Paracelsus*, and *Helmont* is true, that where that reacheth no other thing that is more powerful will reach, it cures then by an universal abstention, and mundifying the vessels, and performs the desire of a careful Physician, to the great comfort of the patient, the dose is from 10 to 20 or 30 drops, in whitewine or Ale fasting.

In Histerical distempers there is great variety, for the uterus in the feminine sex is not unfitly called by Physicians (*animal furiosum*) for it is in its extravagant Amber, Salt of exorbitancies strangely operative in women causing all sorts of diseases, as palpitations, vertigines, Epilepsies palsies, with other distempers, and is exasperated by love, anger, grief, frights and all passions, in these cases the Salt of Steel (I mean the magisterial Salt of it) in which the whole substance of steel is by an Alchymistical preparation resolved into a Magistery, so also the Essence of Amber, and the volatile tincture of red Corall are appropriated specifics, that equal the grand Arcana, the dose of Salt of Steel is 20 grains, of * Essence of Amber from 8 to 16 grains, of the volatile Tincture of Corall 20 drops, and they are also admirable Scorbutick Splenetick, and pulmonick remedies in both sexes.

These with several other specificke abstensives, as spirit of Salt, spirit of Sulphur vive, the essential sulphurous spirit of vitriol of Venus, Antimony, and other bodies, with the Magistery and spirit of Saturn, are truly prepared by *Groen Starck*, and as occasion offers are to be had of him with larger direction, for the use

But my Pill and true *Eus veneris* being of the most large and general use, I resolve to expose them to publick sale, and they may be had at the Authors near the Exchange in Bartholomew lane, by the Excise Office, at Mr. *Desarnes* an Accomptant, and at Mr. *Samuel Watsons* at the Coffee house at Ave Mary lane on Ludgate hill, and at Mr. *Seneca* a Coffee house next door to the Whalebone in Lothbury, and at Mr. *Livewell Chapman* Stationer in Exchange Alley near Cornhill,

The sweet acid
ness fixed Sal-
fur or true Ele-
ment of fire of
Venus.

A double diacretation, first the metia via of it according to *Eus Helmont*.

The true diacretation or Corallatum of *Paracelsus* and *Helmont*.

Volatile Alcalay of Tartar &c.

The essence of Steel, and volatile of red Corall.

* Note this is not the oil of Amber but the whole Amber reduced to a magisterial essence all salts, only this phlogiston is added and this substance is preserved by the Circulation of *Helmont* and *Paracelsus*.

Exhibition, and at the Sign of Maye the great, a Coffee-house in Exchange
and at Mr. Newlands on Tower wharfe

Prologue

Courteous Reader, I desire thy Candor in judgment, not to imagine
that I write here ratiocinall conceits, and apprehensions, but really
what I have done, can doe, and have at Commande the wayes to doe
and performe, the Horizontall (old I shall be master of Ere long) and
other Arcanas as the Tinctura Lili, the Mercurius Masculinus, the Tin-
cture reduced to a Vimum Vitae, the milles or Element of Perle, but
must make things successively, and every true Arcanum in preparation
in preparation, these therefore I shall at present only dispose of my selfe
leaving the stop fortificationed Acedoines of my true pill, and some
prepared Elixirs, and the pills above mentioned, for they are the
generall in virtues and to be made in great quantities, Other specific
which in Cases to which they are appropriated, Equall the Arcana, as
Tincture of Corall, the Magisteriall juis of Amber &c. in various dis-
tempers, and in anxieties of the spleen in both sexes; as also in scorbute
Cases, and in vetebrate Jaundies, for the tedious labor of Coughs, as for
gripping Labid fevers, the afterpains of Women in Child bed, &c. with
severall other specifics which paper and time will not give me leave to
instance by name, shall be disposed only by myselfe, because in these there is
a choise, where severall belong to the same Cases, which my experience
of them will enable me better to informe such as would use them, in
choise of accordingly, then they can advise themselves, Therefore in
where the pill and Elix vendis Either sale, or premed the Elix vendis
stand, upon notice by writing I shall I will send the name of both patient
and Doctor Candidly, give my advice and counsel in publique writing,
and shall upon such Emergencies, have occasion of advising, restraining,
altering or otherwise varying the administration of specific remedies,
according as by eighteen yeares practise both in the fire, and in the Art
of Medicine I have been instructed, and where the Extremity of dis-
eases of all hopes of specifics, there I shall advise and supply pure un-
salt of the highest gradation, and not otherwise, they being difficult and
tedious to prepare, and Frustraper plura br, quod fieri potest per
pauciora. We will scarce the Emphatic disease, that shall be met with in
practise require any other remedy, then my pill, Elix vendis and a
celestiall sou, which last will rarely be absolutely needed, but where it is, I
shall (and am provided to) supply such as desire it.

George Starkey, known by the title of Philosopher by the fire

Also for the Stone is to be had the Lulus of Helmont truly prepared by the
same George Starkey, of whose virtues none that hath Read Helmont hath not
studied, the dose 20 drop, which cures it radically, both in the Kidneys and
bladder, and takes away all future inclinations thereto.

Flavell Joha. Odo.

As a testimoniall
to certifye
of my
sincerity.

